

BURGLARS FIGHT POLICE AND ARE BEATEN SILENT

Four Prisoners Stretched Senseless on Station-House Floor.

Five successful burglaries within a radius of half a dozen blocks in the Bedford avenue section of Brooklyn, one attempted burglary and the arrest of four men in as many different fights have kept the police busy. To-day the alleged burglars were still suffering from the beating they received and the police were trying to figure out what the property loss might be.

Three of the men are Italians who have no knowledge of English and who are said to have recently come to the country. The police are anxious to know if they have criminal records.

The first burglaries of the series were in the afternoon or early evening yesterday and the thieves got away with \$5,000 worth of jewelry. On the men who were caught early to-day no jewelry was found. There is a suspicion that burglars are working the districts in two shifts and that the police came upon the gashouse gang.

The first burglary occurred on the flat of John H. Meyer, at No. 30 Brooklyn avenue. He and his wife and her cousin, Miss Conant, returned home at 6.30 and found that the door leading to the private flat of their flat had been opened. Miss Conant's room had been rifled of three diamond rings, a diamond sunburst and some stickpins. Mr. Meyer was minus diamond studs and cuff buttons. The baby's bank had been broken open and about \$9 in change taken. The entire loss was estimated at \$1,000.

Busy on Same Block.

The next burglary was in the home of Morris Wright, No. 3 St. Charles place. A few hours later, No. 4, across the street, was broken into, and at No. 6, two doors away, there was a furious fight with a burglar. Mr. Wright went out early in the evening, and when he returned at 9.30 found that \$3,000 worth of jewelry was gone. Among the articles taken were a three karat diamond ring, a diamond ring, a three stone diamond ring, a diamond sunburst containing twenty-two stones, and a big solitaire ring valued at \$400.

George A. McLoughlin, of No. 1072 Derraw street, telephoned to Police Headquarters at 2 o'clock that three men were trying to break into every residence in the neighborhood.

"They have just been at my house, and now they are in the yard of No. 4 St. Charles place. I can see them from my window. This house is occupied by Mrs. Joseph Danzig."

When the police reserves arrived there were poking from every house in the fashionable district. The neighborhood was alarmed, and many of the neighbors were yelling for the police.

Fierce Fight in the Dark.

The police surrounded the block. George O'Day, of the Grand avenue station, came upon a man hiding on the roof of a rear building in McLoughlin's yard.

"Come down!" demanded the policeman.

The man came in with a hurry that McLoughlin had to shoot three times to save himself from harm. The man wanted to fight. When the shots were still whizzing about the man he ran to McLoughlin's cellar, and there he was tackled in the dark by O'Day and Policeman Michael Feeney. The man had wonderful strength and he seemed to know how to fight in the dark. He would have got the best of the two policemen had it not been for a chance. The man fell in the dark with a night stick. The man fell and the policeman made him. Not until he lay unconscious and bleeding did they desist. Then they carried him forth and carried him off to the police station.

Policeman Foley came upon a man hiding under the stoop of J. B. Bissop's house, No. 6 St. Charles place. The man came out when commanded, but made for the policeman. The man fought like an athlete and the policeman was no match for him. The policeman was only when he sank down unconscious to the pavement. He too was carried to the station-house.

Then the police came upon a third man hiding under the stoop of the Danzig house. This man was also full of fight, and he kept the police busy saving their own skins until a blow sent him down and out.

Reserves Called Again.

The three men were treated by Dr. Parker, of St. Mary's Hospital. When released to them they said they were Leonardo Dalesandro, of Chicago, and Rivington streets, Manhattan; Salvatore Gambino, of Broadway and Park avenue, Brooklyn; and Tony Jovanni, No. 128 Houston street, Manhattan. The men had hardly given their names when the telephone rang and the order came from headquarters:

Get the reserves over to the Bedford district. There is a burglar chase at St. Mark's and Franklin avenue. It is just two blocks from the place where the first fight with burglars had taken place.

When the police arrived they found Policeman James Donlin in a hand-to-hand fight with a man. While everyone came from the neighboring houses. The

PUBLIC ROBBED BY 10-CENT FARE TO CONEY ISLAND

HIGHER FARES ON HOLIDAYS ARE DOUBLE INJUSTICE TO WORKERS.

BY A. A. HILL,
Secretary of the Metropolitan Parks Association.

I heartily endorse the fight of The Evening World for a five-cent fare to Coney Island. The fare of 10 cents each way, now operative, prohibits many families of the industrial classes from spending their holidays together.

The fare to Revere Beach, at Boston, is now five cents, with the result that Revere Beach is one of the great family resorts of this country.

The holidays are the days when fares should be the lowest, in order to induce the largest number of people to leave the hot and crowded city. The five-cent fare prevails in all other boroughs and the fare across Brooklyn should be the same at all times.

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ished legal right to charge an admission fee of five cents into Coney Island, the people's playground.

3. That the collection of the second fare of five cents on the Smith street, Franklin avenue and De Kalb avenue lines on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays is simply highway robbery.

4. That the "stand-and-deliver" tactics of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company at Kings Highway, where the second fare is taken from the public pocket, is sufficient cause for a proceeding for the annulment of its various charters.

5. That citizens can upon proof recover every cent they have paid in excess of five cents a ride over the lines of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company.

6. That the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company by exacting the double fare has paralyzed the growth of population below Kings Highway, working great injury to the property interests there.

For years the Brooklyn Rapid Transit people have persistently circulated the report that their right to collect the second fare was established by the courts. The facts do not justify such a claim, according to many lawyers of Greater New York.

"The company has a decision in an action which it procured to be brought against itself by one Barnett," said a prominent lawyer to an Evening World reporter to-day. "This man claimed damages for having been put off a car after refusing to pay an additional fare to Coney Island, and the plaintiff was defeated in the Appellate Division of the second department upon the theory that one of the leased lines over which the defendant's cars were run to Coney Island was operated under an old steam franchise which permitted it to charge twice as much as the other lines. The Appellate Division decided that the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company might charge a passenger 10 cents from the Manhattan end of the Brooklyn Bridge to Coney Island, provided it arranged to carry him over the old route owned by the steam railroad."

Time for Another Fight.
"In another action brought by Major Peter H. McNulty Judge Gaynor, then sitting as a Supreme Court Justice in Brooklyn, declared the action in the Appellate Division to be in the nature of a nuisance, and in express terms held that the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company could not charge more than a five-cent fare to Coney Island over any route of the city or any of the allied lines."

Judge Gaynor is now in the Appellate Division, and the time is ripe for another determined battle for the people's rights. The Evening World is to be congratulated for taking up the fight.

Another illustration of the methods by which the companies gouge the public is shown in the case of the Coney Island and Brooklyn Railway Company, which operates the Smith street, Franklin avenue and De Kalb avenue lines and is a rival of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company. Here the switch to a "10-

1,233,528 VISITORS AT ZOO IN A YEAR.

Exhibits in Bronx Park More than Doubled in Twelve Months.

A report of the Bronx Parks Commissioner made public to-day shows that the Bronx Zoo has more than doubled its great collections of birds and beasts and has just closed the most successful year of its history.

The turnstile recorded 1,233,528 visitors. The presents in the Jacob Schiff collection recently presented to the Park have been housed in a new pavilion and are among the great attractions. The lion house has been completed and adorned and the primate house has been made the most complete in the country both as to its arrangement and the collection of apes and baboons.

policeman didn't seem to be getting the better of the argument until clubs and the man lay. At the station-house he was brought to consciousness by Dr. White, of St. John's Hospital, and then he said he was George Miller, of Wiloughby avenue.

The policeman said he found Miller and another man in the station of John H. Scholten, at Franklin avenue. They ran out through the rear and the policeman followed, during which time one of the men was shot.

Miller turned and attacked the policeman after a run of six blocks. They were still fighting when the reserves arrived.

A Veritable Prosperity Geyser!

18,534 World Wants During First FIVE Days of This Week.

5,043 MORE than Same FIVE Days Last Year!

6,590 MORE than ANY OTHER NEWSPAPER ON EARTH.

Five-Cent Fare League.

The Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company assumes the right to charge 10 cents for the trip to Coney Island—the lungs of New York—the hold-up for the extra nickel being made at Kings Highway.

The company HAS NO ESTABLISHED RIGHT to collect this extra fare, and the courts HAVE NOT passed finally upon this question. Now is the time to protest against the exaction. Join the FIVE-CENT FARE LEAGUE. Sign your name to this blank and mail it to the FIVE-CENT FARE LEAGUE, Room 49, Pulitzer Building, New York City:

To the Editor of The Evening World:

I desire to enroll myself as a member of the FIVE-CENT FARE LEAGUE to protest against the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company's and allied lines' illegal exaction of an extra five-cent fare to Coney Island.

Name.....

Address.....

MERCHANTS' ASSOCIATION ON 5-CENT FARE

Can Be Done at a Profit, Says Frederick B. De Berard.

By Frederick B. De Berard, of The Merchants' Association of New York.

The general principle upon which a railroad adjusts its charges is based upon an average between the receipts of the short-haul and long-haul traffic. It is ordinarily claimed that long-haul traffic alone is unprofitable and that a considerable body of local traffic is necessary to supply a profit.

In the case of the Brooklyn and Coney Island Railroad Company, the cars are operated through to Coney Island during most of the week over a route which supplies very little local traffic. This road is one of the most profitable street railway properties in the United States.

If this company can operate through cars to Coney Island during the week, when the traffic is comparatively light, for a single fare, it can certainly operate profitably for the same price on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, when every car is crowded and its earning power is at a maximum.

Local Traffic Worked In.

The Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company on its Brighton Beach lines runs its trains practically at all hours. It combines with its through traffic its short haul local traffic and thereby operates under conditions most favorable to maximum earnings. In fact, it does more-it crowds its local passengers into the through trains and forces them to stand when they should have seats.

No one who knows the conditions will contend that the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company's trains to Coney Island are not operated under conditions which yield a very handsome return upon the cost of operation, even at a five-cent fare.

If, however, the company contends that it requires more local traffic to justify a single fare for the long haul, the reply is that the company itself prevents the development of local traffic by imposing an extra fare beyond Kings Highway which has greatly impeded the growth of that section of the city.

Real estate interests below Kings Highway are almost paralyzed by the double fare. There has been a great recent growth of population in the new districts of the Bronx, also in Queens and Richmond, but the improvements in Brooklyn stop at Kings Highway, and the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company is the responsible cause.

Compared with Manhattan.

In Manhattan a passenger can travel about 15 miles for a single fare under conditions not so favorable to the company as those which prevail in Brooklyn, while on the Brooklyn lines a passenger can travel a little more than half that distance, and is compelled to pay a double fare at that.

The ten-cent fare is not imposed in the case of Brooklyn because the service rendered is worth ten cents, but in order that the company may derive a sufficient income to pay the excessive fixed charges upon its property due to the vast inflation under which it staggers.

If the charge which it imposed upon the public were based upon the operating cost and not on the inflated fixed charges there would be no reason why the company's ability to give a five-cent through fare to Coney Island and to make a handsome profit upon that basis.

The congestion of population in Manhattan is a crying evil. To lessen it and better the conditions of the population are problems which are calling for the most earnest efforts of philanthropists. Ready access to the seashore and its health-giving diversions is of the first importance.

The city is now preparing to spend millions on additional seaside parks. It is well to emphasize that the industrial classes shall not be debarrd from them by excessive transportation charges, which are almost a prohibitive to the families of small wage-earners.

MONTH'S REPRIEVE ASKED FOR TUCKER.

BOSTON, June 9.—A reprieve of one month, in order that everything possible might be done to save the prisoner from the electric chair, is asked in a petition forwarded to Gov. Gould to-day by Charles L. Tucker's counsel.

Tucker is under sentence to die early Monday morning next for the murder of Malinda Pease.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert F. Tucker, the parents of the condemned man, were with Mr. Vahey to-day discussing the latest step taken in an attempt to delay the execution of the death sentence.

MR. MACCRACKEN SAILS.

Chancellor H. M. MacCracken, of New York University, sailed for Europe to-day on the steamer Kroonland. Another passenger on the Kroonland was Rear-Admiral W. B. Bayley, U. S. N.

FIVE-CENT TRIP TO CONEY WOULD BENEFIT RAILROAD AS WELL AS THE PEOPLE.

BY WILLIAM H. ALLEN,
Of the New York Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor.

For the same reason that we have urged legitimate enterprises in Coney Island to support the establishment of an attractive outlook and bathing pavilion there we should now urge the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company to adopt a five-cent fare.

It has been the history of public service corporations, as well as department stores and newspapers, that they earn large dividends from small profits on thousands of patrons than from large profits on hundreds. It is well worth the railroad's while as a business proposition to spread the Coney Island habit.

The charitable agencies of Manhattan have contact with tens of thousands of families who cannot now afford even one trip a season to Coney Island, and we feel that this is a loss both to the health and morals of the city. The chief trouble with the poorer classes is that they have too few desires and there is too little inducement to thrift.

If the trolley or "L" trip to Coney Island were brought within their reach and the city made sea-bathing possible at the people's playground, there would be less drunkenness, less disease and less immorality in the congested district. To those familiar with the homes of the industrial classes there is no question but that the cutting in half of the fare to the sea would mean an enormous increase in the number benefiting from the educational, amusement and health opportunities of Coney Island.

AT 105 YEARS AND LOST, SHE SLEPT IN PARK

Old Woman Found Astray Had Forgotten Her Address.

In the West Side Police Court, before Magistrate Mayo to-day, Mary Fay, whose age was given as one hundred and five years, of No. 430 Sixth avenue, was arraigned after being found wandering without visible means of subsistence.

After Magistrate Mayo learned the old woman's history, and that she had \$60 in a bank, he sent her to her home.

It appears that on Thursday last Mrs. Fay left the room where she has lived for twenty years to visit a friend, lived for twenty years to visit a friend, lived for twenty years to visit a friend, lived for twenty years to visit a friend.

Remainder there all yesterday, the old woman ventured out last night into Seventy-fourth street, where she got in front of a car and was in danger of being knocked down, when Patrolman Quinn rescued her in time.

Had Forgotten Address.

When taken to the station house it was found that the woman had forgotten her address, but was by chance recognized by some newspaper men who knew her.

She is the widow of the late Thomas G. Fay, who was secretary of the Cancer Hospital, No. 2 Livingston place. She is known to have lived frugally for twenty years on a diet of bread and milk.

Sophie Christian, the twenty-three-year-old German girl who was detained by the authorities when she arrived here on the Graf Waldersee with William Mayer, the man accused of the "trunk" murder, will return to Germany. She was brought before the immigration officials to-day for examination, and although as far as they are concerned she is at liberty to enter this country the young woman expressed her desire to return to Germany with the accused man and will be deported.

She was detained with Mayer on May 12 at the suggestion of the German Government, which requested the return of Mayer to face trial on the charge of murdering his aunt, packing the body in a trunk and leaving it in a German railway station. Both were held in the Tombs awaiting extradition proceedings. Mayer has been extradited and will be returned to Germany for trial. There is no charge against the girl.

PAVED SURF AVENUE WITH BRIC-A-BRAC

Paved avenue, Coney Island, for a distance of about two blocks received a paving of \$2,000 worth of ground bric-a-brac to-day.

A moving van belonging to West Brothers, of East New York, had brought up opposite Steeplechase Park to disgorge its contents for a summer visitor. An auto frightened the team and the horse ran away, breaking the bric-a-brac and scattering the furniture in every direction. The animals came to a stop only when they ran into a bog of sand from which they could not extricate themselves. Many women and children who were on the avenue at the time were badly frightened.

FOUND DEAD WITH HIS EARS CUT OFF.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., June 9.—The police are investigating the case of a man found dead on the flats of Burr Creek, in the Black Rock district. The victim was well dressed, weighed about 150 pounds, on the ground of a nose and wore a dark mustache. Both ears had been cut off, and it is said that a bullet was found in his head. There is no clue to the identity of the man.

To-Morrow's Sunday World

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2,197,000,000

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2,461,000,000

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\$25,732,000,000

Do These Figures Make Your Head Ache?

They stand for the Fortune of one man in case he shall live to be 100 years old.

WHO IS THE MAN? WILL HE LIVE TO BE 100?

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